GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2572
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2016
National Mission for Documentation of Manuscripts
Senguttuvan Shri Balasubramaniam

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Mission for Documentation of Ancient Manuscripts has completed its tenure;

(b) whether the Government has been able to document valuable ancient manuscripts from all Indian languages including Tamil, Malayalam and Sanskrit and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the valuable manuscripts containing the practice of Siddha and Ayurvedic Medicines were documented and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

(a) The present tenure of the National Mission for Manuscripts will expire on 31st March, 2017.

(b) Yes, Madam. A detailed language wise list is attached herewith at Annexure.

(c) Yes, Madam. 55436 valuable manuscripts containing the practice of Siddha and Ayurvedic Medicines have been documented by National Mission for Manuscripts.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2572 FOR 14.03 2016)

Language wise documentation list of different ancient manuscripts

Sl. No.	Name of the Language	No. of Manuscripts Documented
1	Sanskrit	11,66,743
2	Odia	2,13,088
3	Hindi	1,99,883
4	Tibetan	1,63,367
5	Tamil	1,08,606
6	Malayalam	96,093
7	Kannada	67,763
8	Persian	50,137
9	Arabic	28,469
10	Assamese	24,059
11	Telugu	16,691
12	Urdu	16,678
13	Bengali	15,412
14	Others	19,15,374

Total manuscripts documented 40,82,363